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NUCLEIC ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 17, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

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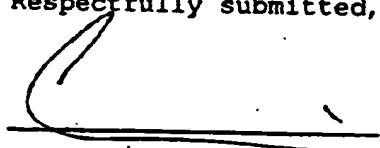
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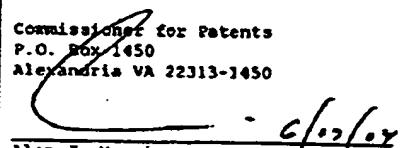
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